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	AGENCY NAME & ADDRESS	Baltimore City Fire Department 401 East Fayette St. 21202
	SUBJECT	City Council Bill #21-0017R -Investigative Hearing - Arson, and Fie fatality Awareness: Re-instituting the Baltimore City Joint Agency Arson Task Force





TO

The Honorable Nick J. Mosby, President And All Members of the Baltimore City Council City Hall, Room 408 DATE:

February 22, 2021

FOR the purpose of inviting representatives from the Baltimore City Fire Department, the Baltimore Police Department, the Office of the State's Attorney for Baltimore City, the Baltimore City Health Department, the Baltimore City Department of Housing and Community Development, the Mayor's Office of Criminal Justice, the Baltimore City Public School System, and the Mayor's Office of Homeless Services to appear before the City Council to discuss arsons, fire fatalities and injuries, and school fires; how we can work to re-institute the Joint Agency Arson Task Force; and discuss other tools that would assist in the prevention or prosecution of arson.

The Baltimore City Fire Department has no objections to City Council Bill 21-0017R: Investigative Hearing-Arson and Fire Fatality Awareness: Re-instituting the Baltimore City Joint Agency Arson Task Force. All Agencies must comply with all applicable codes, ordinances, and laws written in the Building, Fire, and Related Codes of Baltimore City 2020 Edition (As Enacted by Ord. 15-547, and Last Amended by Ord. 18-1830) and applicable Maryland laws.

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